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To All Interested Parties:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) will host June and July 2007 workshops to discuss concepts for finalizing DTSC's three emergency regulations, related to universal wastes (UWs), adopted pursuant to the California's Electronic Waste Recycling Act of 2003, as amended (SB 20, Sher, Chapter 526, Statutes of 2003; SB 50, Sher, Chapter 863, Statutes of 2004) and existing regulations.

The concept language for the regulations will be made available on June 15, 2007, at http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/LawsRegsPolicies/Regs/CA_UWR.cfm. After review of the concept language, if you have questions that you would like to have addressed at the workshop, please submit them via email to ehaertle@dtsc.ca.gov by June 21, 2007. Please include the workshop date that you plan to attend in the subject line of your email.

The workshops will be held at the following times and places:

DATE:	June 28, 2007	July 11, 2007
TIME:	9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.	9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
LOCATION:	Cal/EPA Headquarters Building Sierra Hearing Room 1001 "I" Street, 2nd Floor Sacramento, CA 95812	DTSC Regional Office – Glendale Conference Rooms 6 and 7 1011 N. Grandview Avenue Glendale, CA 91201

Note: Visitors must check in with security upon entering the Cal/EPA Building and DTSC Regional Offices.

All interested parties are invited to participate in this public workshop. Space is limited to 100 attendees in Sacramento and 45 attendees in Glendale. Please confirm your interest in attending either workshop by sending an e-mail notice indicating which workshop location you will be attending to Linda Sargent via email at lsargent@dtsc.ca.gov, or by calling (916) 323-9219.

Interested participants who are unable to attend the June 28, 2007 workshop may monitor the workshop live through an audio/video webcast. The broadcast link will be available on the California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA) website at <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast>. Questions and comments may be submitted in real time by sending an e-mail message to sierrarm@calepa.ca.gov (this e-mail address is valid only for the duration of the workshop; all other correspondence should be made in accordance with the contact information listed at the end of this notice).

DTSC staff will monitor e-mails received during the workshop and, as time allows, read and respond to them aloud. All questions and comments submitted via e-mail will be considered when DTSC drafts its proposed regulations.

The workshop schedule for the Glendale office will not be webcast nor video-conferenced.

To request special accommodations for persons with disabilities, please contact Linda Sargent via email at lsargent@dtsc.ca.gov, or by calling (916) 323-9219. Travel information is available at <http://www.ca.epa.ca.gov/EPAbldg/Location.htm>.

Notice to Hearing Impaired: To obtain additional information, use the California State Relay Service at 1-888-877-5378 (TDD). Ask them to contact Ellen Haertle via email at ehaertle@dtsc.ca.gov or by calling (916) 324-2437.

Workshop Topics:

DTSC's has reorganized California Code of Regulations, title 22, division 4.5, chapter 23 universal waste (UW) handler requirements to simplify and clarify the requirements for universal wastes and to consolidate the requirements of UW handlers and Cathode Ray Tube (CRT) handler requirements. The only significant changes to existing UW requirements in the concept language are:

- Increased training requirement for all UW handlers,
- Expanded export requirements for alignment with new federal export requirements for Cathode Ray Tubes (CRTs),
- Clarification of the cost closure estimate, closure plan, final closure and release of financial mechanism requirements for UW processors.

The workshop will also address finalizing existing emergency regulations that:

- Identify the electronic devices that DTSC has identified as covered electronic devices (CEDs) as defined by SB 50 (no significant change),
- Establish the contents and timeframe for submittal of a notice by manufacturers of CEDs to their retailers that sell these devices that the CEDs, when sold in California, are subject to SB 50 (no significant change), and
- Establish the prohibition on the sale of CEDs that contain certain heavy metals in accordance with the Restrictions on the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances (RoHS) provisions contained in SB 20 (no significant change).

Contact Information: If you have any further questions about the workshop, or wish to submit written comments regarding concepts for the proposed regulations, please contact Ellen Haertle via email at ehaertle@dtsc.ca.gov. Additionally, if you would like to receive email updates regarding the proposed regulations, you may subscribe to the DTSC list service for Universal Waste at <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/Listservs/dtsc>.

Written comments may be mailed to:
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